

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: May 4, 1995

SUBJECT: **SB 341 - HB 495**

This bill, if enacted, allows Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) to issue a separate hunting license for a fee of \$10 and a separate fishing license for a fee of \$8.

Currently, the TWRA sells a combination Hunting and Fishing License for \$18.00. For each license sold TWRA collects \$12.17 in federal funds (\$6.97 for hunting and \$5.20 for fishing). Based on the most recent U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service Survey of hunters and fishermen in Tennessee, the breakdown of Tennessee sportsmen is as follows: Hunters 128,000, Fishermen 763,000. Using this data available, there are some persons who would not buy a combination license.

Therefore, the fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to result in a decrease in state and federal revenue; however, since it is not known how many would purchase these license it is estimated to result in a decrease in state and federal revenue in an excess of \$1,000,000.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director